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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the June 26, 2002 Office Action, in the above-identified application, the time for response being extended by three (3) months, pursuant to the fee charged to the Assignee's Deposit account in the papers submitted herewith please amend the above-identified application as follows and consider the remarks made herein.

Cited References

The references cited in the Search Report of PCT/US99/15491 have been considered, but are listed on the enclosed PTO-1449 form in order to have such references printed on any patent resulting from the present application. Consideration of these references is respectfully requested.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the Specification on Page 33, last line bridging Page 34, first line to delete the language "Application Serial Number 87 303761.8, filed April 28, 1987 (particularly pages 17, 24 and 98)" and insert the language --European Patent No. 0251446

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